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“To look to Calvary’s finished  
work is to triumph. ”

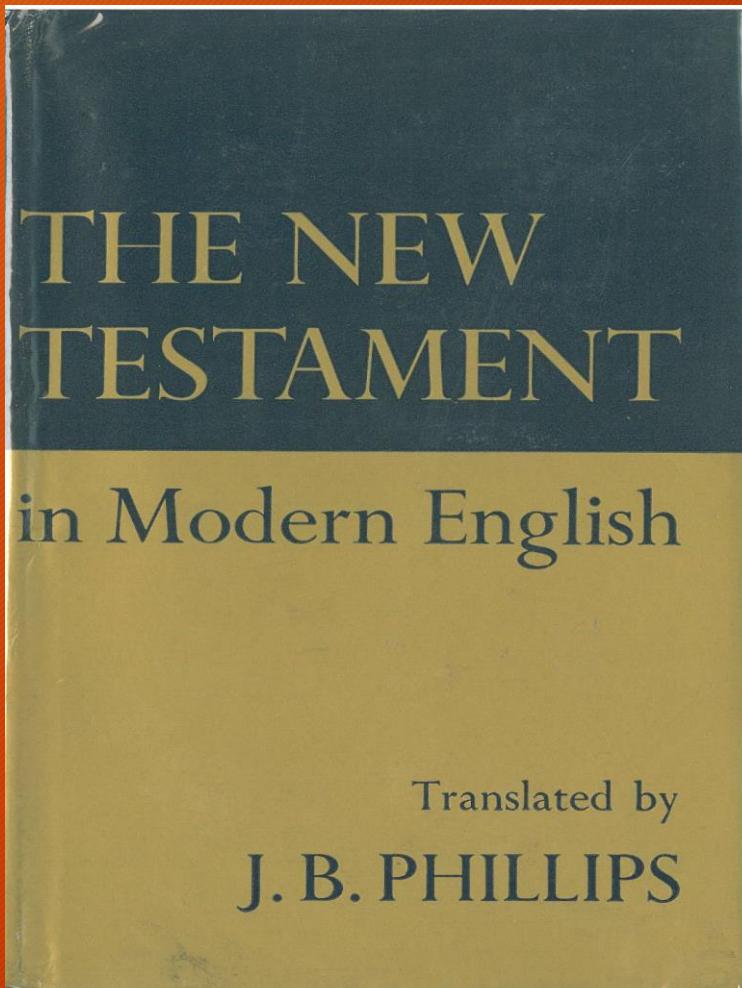
# Colossians 2:8

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.



**Christ Is The Storehouse Of All  
Wisdom And Knowledge!**

# Colossians 2:11-15



# I. Exemplification (11-12)

## A. Circumcision

An outward, physical rite to demonstrate  
the inward, spiritual reality.

# Outward Sign Of Inward Faith

Deuteronomy 10:16

Jeremiah 4:4

Acts 7:51

# Circumcision Does Not Justify

Romans 2:25-29

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Romans 4:9-11

## B. Baptism

**For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit (I Corinthians 12:13).**

**One Lord, one faith, one baptism (Ephesians 4:5).**

# Spirit Baptism Brings New Life

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life (Romans 6:3-4).

## II. Exoneration (13-14)

### The Purpose Of The Law

So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian  
(Galatians 3:24-25)

## A. Makes Us Alive With Christ

**And you were dead in the trespasses and sins  
(Ephesians 2:1)**

**And this is the testimony, that God gave us  
eternal life, and this life is in his Son.  
Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does  
not have the Son of God does not have life  
(I John 5:11-12)**

## B. Forgives Us All Our Sins

### Certificate Of Debt

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit (John 19:30)

# Ephesians 2:14-15

For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace.

### III. Exploitation (15)

**“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.” (Ephesians 4:8)**

**But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere  
(II Corinthians 2:14)**

**“For nothing good have I, whereby they grace to claim...Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe. ”**